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NDSHPO REF.: 13-0702 PSC PU-13-127 "Bison 4 Wind Energy Center: A Class III Cultural Resource Inventory, Oliver, Morton and Mercer Counties, North Dakota"

Dear Ms. Burns,

We reviewed NDSHPO REF.: 13-0702 PSC PU-13-127 "Bison 4 Wind Energy Center: A Class III Cultural Resource Inventory, Oliver, Morton and Mercer Counties, North Dakota," and find it acceptable.

If consulted by a state or federal agency, we would concur with "*No Significant Sites Affected*" or "*No Historic Properties Affected*" determinations provided the project is of the nature stated and it takes place in the locations plotted and described in the above-captioned report. Also all eligible sites located close to project features are to be buffered by at least 50 feet and temporary fencing should be placed along the buffer zones.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this project. If you have questions please contact either Paul Picha at ppicha@nd.gov or (701) 328-3574 or Susan Quinnell at squinnell@nd.gov or (701) 328-3576.

Sincerely,

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State Historic Preservation Officer (North Dakota)
and
Director, State Historical Society of North Dakota

c: Patrick Fahn, North Dakota PSC

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**Letter concurrence - no significant sites affected or
no historic properties affected**